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INVITATION FOR BID - GSA-051-21
Hyper-converged infrastructure (HCI) Solution; Two (2) Node HCI vSAN Cluster 1-Node Failure to Tolerate

Questions received from: Data Management Resources on 8/25/21

Question 1:
IFB indicates "REQUIRED DELIVERY DATE: 30 Days Upon Receipt of Purchase Order". We respectfully request that this requirement be changed to 120 Days due to ongoing shipping delays and manufacturer shortages occurring worldwide as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Response: Yes, Required Delivery Date to change from 30 Days to now read: 120 Days (Refer to Amendment #2)

Question 2: Relative to page 33, Item 1.0, description:
"Hyper-Converged Infrastructure (HCI) Solution; Two (2) node HCI vSAN Cluster 1-Node Failure to Tolerate as per the following". A 1-Node Failure to Tolerate (FTT)=1, requires a minimum of four (4) nodes. This can be achieved by purchasing one (1) set of Item 1.0 and two (2) sets of Item No. 2.0. Alternatively, FTT=1 can be achieved by purchasing four (4) sets of Item 2.0. As this is an Indefinite Quantity IFB, please confirm acknowledgment of the required purchase options to achieve FTT=1.

Response: OTECH acknowledges the requirement of a 1-Node Failure to Tolerate (FTT) cluster.

Question 3: Relative to page 34, Item 1.0, Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacenter-Government Volume License. The IFB specifies Qty-12, 2-Core Licenses. However, the description for item number 1.0 is "Two (2) node HCI vSAN Cluster." Based on the two (2) node description and node specifications requirement, the number of processors and cores should be Qty-24, 2-Core Licenses. This will account for a total of four (4) processors with a total of 48-cores. Please clarify if the requirement for Microsoft Windows Service 2019 Datacenter should be "(Qty-24, 2-core licenses)".

Response Refer to "Amendment #2"

Question 4: Relative to item number 2.0

One (1) Node All Flash, vSAN Hyper-Converge Infrastructure (HCI), the specifications do not include an "Additional Licenses" section. Please see questions below:

a. If a node is being purchased to add to an existing VMware vSAN HCI cluster, the node will require a VMware HCI Kit 6 with Operations Management license per CPU with Support and Subscription (SnS). Please clarify if Item 2.0 should include Additional License for Qty-2 of "VMware HCI Kit 6 with Operations Management license per CPU with 1 Year Support and Subscription (SnS)."

Response: Refer to "Amendment #2"

b. If a new VMware vSAN HCI cluster is being created, a minimum of three (3) nodes will be required and each of the three (3) nodes will require Qty-2 VMware HCI Kit 6 with Operations and Management license per CPU with 1 Year SnS. As this is an Indefinite Quantity IFB, please confirm acknowledgment of this requirement if a new VMware vSAN HCI cluster is being created.

Response: OTECH acknowledges the requirement of a new VMware vSAN HCI cluster.

c. If a new VMware vSAN HCI cluster is being created, a new VMware vSAN HCI cluster will also require vCenter Server Standard with 1 Year SnS. As this is an indefinite quantity IFB, we recommend vCenter Server Standard with 1 Year SnS be itemized as a separate IFB line item number.

Response: Refer to "Amendment #2"

d. Please clarify if Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacente is required for each node purchased. A node with two (2) 12-core processors will require a quantity of twelve (12) 2-core licenses. Please clarify if Item 2.0 should include additional licenses for Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacenter, (Qty.-12, 2-core licenses).

Response: Refer to "Amendment #2"

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